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SUBJECT

Deputation of M/S. K. S. Gangadhara and B.K. Manickam to the United States of America

No. PW. 1903-4. dated 11.8.47

To The Ch. Engineer for Irrigation -
Mr. K. S. Gangadhara.
Mr. B.K. Manickam.

Informs that M/S. Gangadhara and Manickam have been shown the maximum concession in the matter of allowances and that the grant of any further concessions would create inconvenient precedents

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Letter dated 7-5-1947 from Messrs K.S. Rangadhara, Exe Engineer and B.R. Manickam, Asst Secy P.W. dept now on deputation in U.S.A, requesting ~~for the~~ enhancement of the additional pay and daily allowances sanctioned to them, in view of the very high cost of living conditions in U.S.A.

Main file sent to Central Secretariat

1. A copy of the G.O No P.W. ~~446225/G1~~ 3582-5 28-6-47 dated 7-12-1946 sanctioning the rates of allowances granted to M/s K.S. Rangadhara and B.R. Manickam for the period of their deputation in U.S.A. is forwarded.

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2. A copy of G.O No P.W 6959-63/G-24-4622 dated 4-6-1947 sanctioning the rates of allowances to Messrs L.C. Narasimha Reddy and R.L. Raju, Assistant Engineers, who have been nominated as reserve delegates to the second Overseas deputation of Road Engineers is also forwarded. These two officers proceeded to U.S.A along with other delegates selected by the Govt of India and the rates of allowances are the same as those granted ~~to the~~ recommended by the Govt of India to the other delegates.

3. The difference in rates between those sanctioned in the first case and

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those in the second case are noted below:—

Rates sanctioned to M/s Reddy & Raju.

(i) Additional pay Rs 150/- p.m. provided it is drawn in U.S.A

(ii) Out fit allowance Rs 400/-

(iii) DA $ 10/- per day in U.S.A in addition to bed (ie residential accommodation and breakfast to be provided by the Indian Embassy)

Rates sanctioned to M/s Gangadhara & Manickam

Separation allowance of Rs 100/- per month

Equipment allowance Rs 1000/- (Irrecoverable)

$ 12/- per day or $ 84/- per week

4. For reasons explained in their letter dated 1-5-1947, Messrs. K. S. Gangadhara and B.R. Manickam request that the rates sanctioned to them may be modified as noted below:— (P.V.)

(i) The separation allowance of Rs 100/- to be increased to Rs 150/- p.m.

(ii) The equipment allowance of Rs 1000/- to be treated as free grant and not recoverable (1)

(iii) The DA of $ 12/- per day to be treated as exclusive of bed and the actual charges towards bed up to a maximum of $ 7/- per day to be allowed.

5. In para 6 of their letter dated 22-4-1947 they also request sanction to an additional sum of $ 1000/- for the purchase of a 16 m.m. Camera (2)

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projects and required plans for taking the views of the American engineering firms they visit. These articles will be the property of Govt.

Flag I (Item 8)

6. The amount sanctioned for the purchase of books and the publications is £200/-. This amount is stated to be inadequate.

Flag V (Para 17) (3)

The additional sum of £1000/- is stated to be required for which also sanction is now sought.

(Returned and sent to P. S. to Devan as per instruction)

7. The two peons in paras 4, 5 & 6 are for orders with financial concurrence.

These with the exception of Consultants Council matter. The C.E.I. recommends that the two peons (1) (2) & (3) may be sanctioned.

22/5/47 Secy.

IIPS 26-5-47

Devan 22/5/47

Regarding peons

9. The examination which Messrs K. S. Ganjadhara and Manickam, Engineers selected after detailed examination and the results thereof are being sanctioned for deputations to U.S.A. from other departments shortly. Secondly the period of Mr. Mervin Wang Reddy and others are for only six months.

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of Messrs Manickam and Jaisinghadarai extends over a ~~year~~ years The Conditions under which Messrs Muniswamy Reddy and Raju were sanctioned by the Government of India to visit overseas deputations is ~~(a)~~ who formed the party to Khem~~ ~~Thanks~~ Kerala be taken

(2) Modified rates

10. The allowances rates etc ~~are~~ are noted in Para 3 of this order who the Lr Can Regd modify the rates now. The outfit allowance for the Lady attendant is Rs 400 non recurring This concession to the extent of Rs 400 may be granted to ~~the~~ Messrs Manickam Regarding the D.A. ~~as~~ it is not possible to assess the accomodation charges etc provided by the Indian embassy hence 12 ~~as~~ as already sanctioned may perhaps be retained

(3) Medium considered big enough

Regarding the purchase of 16 M.M. Camera projector at Rs 1000 ~~for~~ for taking films may be ~~as~~ sanctioned in the expected lines through and the purchase to be effected through agency and ~~the~~ may be entrusted to that no foreign exchange is involved Regarding ~~the~~ purchase of Rs 1000 ~~as~~ already purchased by them ~~as~~ this may be regularised The purchase of Rs 12 ~~as~~ already sanctioned ~~is~~ quite all right and

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~~If~~ There may perhaps be duplicate copies of books of the deputationists ~~to~~ which ~~have~~ Government do purchase. ~~if~~ as Chief Engineer may have already the books they intend purchasing. Hence the deputationists may note the books they wish to have, ~~and~~ and furnish the same to the Chief Engineer, who after necessary enquiry and verification may get the books after sanction. Hence there may be no need for any increase under the purchase of books and periodicals.

Minister for Agri & P.W
and
Dewan
through Fin Secy

BJC
16/6/49

HPS
16/6/49

12. I agree with the Public Works Secretary regarding purchase of books.

13. Regarding purchase of camera, I do not know whether the films to be taken are in the interest of the Department. If these film should really serve some useful purpose, I have no objection for purchase of camera which should be surrendered to the Department after its use. But if the films should turn out to be merely fancy films, as I rather suspect they are, without serving

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serving the purposes of the Department either on the technical or administrative side, I do not advise the purchase of the camera.

14. Regarding other allowance, I am of opinion that these two officers have been shown the maximum concession and any further concessions may invite similar application.

15. There has been already several different concessions shown to different officers and I have already submitted a note with a view to have a uniform policy especially in view of a large number of deputations involving enormous costs.

16. I am against the grant of any further concessions to any of these, as each sanction merely increases the appetite and serves as a precedent to other cases. We are not in a position to treat our deputationists more tenderly than does the Government of India nor do I see any justification to do so.

25/6/47.

17. I agree.

18. Dewan

15/7/47

19. HPS 15.7.47

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BM 30/7/47 HPS 31.7.47

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS
27 JUNE 1947
No. 10069

DEWAN [illegible]
15 JUL 1947
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20. Subd with a draft

21. Issue

HPS 6.8.47 — Bnc 7.8.47

B 5/8/47 Verbal sanction

No. PW 1903-4/Est-28-46-38 dated 11.8.47

To The Chief Engineer for Info.

Mr. K.S. Gangadhara

" B.R. Manickam

Informs that M/s Gangadhara and Manickam have been shown the maximum concession in the matter of allowances and that the grant of any further concessions would create inconvenient precedents.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Public Works Departmer

Read :-

G.O.No.P.W.1452-5/Est.2-45-15 dated 3rd September 1946, sanctioning the proposal to depute Messrs.K.S.Gangadhara, Executive Engineer, and B. Manickam, Assistant Engineer to the United States of America for a perio of one year to study the up-to-date methods of irrigation and constructi of high dams with special reference to T.V.A.

Order No.3582-5/Est.28-46-8 Dated, Bangalore, the 7th December 1946.

Government are pleased to sanction the following rates of allowances etc., to each of the two officers under orders of deputation to U.S.A. :-

1. Their salary in the Public Works Department.
2. Daily allowance - 12 dollars a day or 84 dollars a week in U.S.A.
3. Period of deputation to be treated as on duty.
4. A sum of Rs.1,000/- to be paid to each officer as equipment allowance (to be recovered).
5. First Class air or sea passage plus £2/- per day for incidental expenses on journey.
6. First Class rail fare in U.S.A. when they travel on Government business.
7. Travelling within India to be as per T.A.rules of M.S.R.
8. To incur an expenditure upto a limit of £ 200/- either by Mr.Gangadhara or by Mr.B.R.Manickam for obtaining when necessary preliminary proposals and reports required by them. These will be property of Government.
9. An advance of Rs.4,000/- each for air passage, etc., permitted subject to adjustment.
10. Separation allowance of Rs.100/- to be paid to each in addition to salary during the period of deputation.

2. The Comptroller is requested to maintain detailed accounts connected with the deputation of the two officers and the Chief Engineer for Irrigation is authorised to draw the amounts payable to both the officers, pending final adjustment.

3. The total cost of deputation of the two officers will be debited to "23 Irrigation", the grant required during 1946-47 being found by reappropriation.

4. They may go rather by air than by sea, to save time.

Sd- K. D. Joshi,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To

The Chief Engineer for Irrigation
The Comptroller to Government (through the Fl.Sectt.)
Mr.G.E.Felton, the Mysore Co-U.S.A.(with a copy of G.O.dated 3-9-46)
Mr.K.S.Gangadhara, Executive Engineer
Mr.B.R.Manickam, Asst. Engineer

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Copy of letter dated the 24th January 1947, from Professor M.S. Anderan, Educational Liaison Officer to India Washington, to the Secretary to Government, Education Department, Bangalore.

I am sending you along with this letter, a publication containing a classified list of students who are at present in the United States of America and Canada and who have been sponsored by different Governments in India. The first part of this list shows their distribution according to institutions and training centres and the second part shows the same students according to the sponsoring Governments, Research Institutions and other Foundations in India. The list does not include independent candidates who have come on their own financial responsibility. The list also contains information regarding the subjects in which the candidates are specializing and the dates of their arrival in this country.

This list is to be considered up to date as of January 15th 1947. I may mention that owing to great flexibility in the system of Americal education, it is found necessary to transfer students from one institution to another according to the needs of their training, and also to obtain for them practical experience in field work in between terms with agencies which are not purely educational institutions. I propose to issue once every quarter a revised list showing such transfers and changes, but it is to be understood that this list is continuously undergoing changes from month to month.

I seek your assistance in enabling me to carry out the wishes of the sponsoring Governments by giving me precise details regarding:

1) The training of the candidates.
2) The financial arrangement for the welfare and maintenance of the candidates concerned.

With regard to the training, I have endeavored to meet the

meet the wishes of the sponsoring Government as closely as possible, and wherever facilities of the type which the ~~sponsor~~ sponsoring authorities seek are not available, I have obtained expert advice for the next best alternative available.

As for the financial arrangements, though all the sponsoring agencies at the beginning fell into line with the arrangements proposed for the candidates sponsored by the Central Government, of late, there has been a good deal of variation in the orders issued on behalf of these students. The greatest difficulty has arisen, particularly with regard to Government servants on deputation who have been allowed to draw pay and allowances according to fundamental rules which are in operation in the different provinces.

In many cases, the deputationists have brought their own copies of the orders with them which have not been endorsed to the Embassy of India, and it has, therefore, not been possible to operate these orders satisfactorily.

Secondly, my office has not received precise information as to which of these students are permanent Government servants on deputation and which of them are on scholarship terms. In many cases, the deputation allowances of candidates of the same status, sponsored by two different Departments of a provincial Government seems to vary widely.

Under these circumstances, it has not been possible for my office to pay the candidates in accordance with the wishes of the sponsoring authorities. They have all been treated as on a scholarship basis so far, and have drawn standardized scales of maintenance allowances.

Recently, owing to the increase in cost of living in this country, and on receipt of representations from several authorities or institutions, the Central Government have revised their scholarship rates with retrospective effect from 1st July 1946.

The terms are as follows:

1) Maintenance allowance at £160.00 per month irrespective of place of study.

2) £125.00 per annum for books, apparatus and other academic equipment.

3) Maximum of £250.00 per annum for approved study tours.

4) Unforeseen medical expenses necessitating expenditure over and above £50.00 per annum. (any expenditure under £50.00 per annum will have to be met from candidate's monthly allowance).

5. Tuition fees to be paid directly to the institutions. These vary widely and range between £200.00 to £ 900.00 per annum depending on the institution chosen.

The Department of Education of the Central Government have advised me that the Provinces and the Indian States are issuing their own orders. I hope that the provincial and Indian States Governments in the interests of uniformity and equality of opportunity for all students from India will agree to treat their scholars in accordance with the above sanction.

With regard to Government servants on deputation or on study leave, I request the following proposals to be accepted:

1) Items 2, 3, 4 and 5 should be the same as for scholars
2) Item 1 may be governed by the general rule of £6,000 per day which is accepted by several provinces and the Centre. This would place deputationists on a slightly better standard than student scholars and at the same time will not cause a big divergence between one group of candidates and others attending the same universities and studying the same subject. As for the pay of the deputationists, I suggest that this should be paid to the candidate's parents or between

[illegible] As the scale pay of officers differs widely and involves several deductions on account of Provident Fund, Insurance and other commitments of officers in India, it would regularize matters considerably, if this part is handled by the accounting authorities in India.

Permanent servants of Indian States Governments who have made repeated representations to me may also be dealt with in the same way;

The student programme in this country has now got into big stride and if I have to keep several hundreds of young men and women from different parts of our country fully satisfied and happy in their work during their stay in this country, sponsoring agencies in India should as far as possible, conform to a standard of treatment for all students so they may pursue their studies and training without financial embarrassment or invidious comparisons of the financial benefits that are sanctions to them.

I am sorry that this letter has run to such a length, but I thought it best to lay before you the full details of the scheme which is in operation.

The decisions of your Government arising out of this memorandum may be communicated through the Department of Education, Government of India. While I have no objection to answering enquiries from the sponsoring authorities in India directly to them, I think it best that the co-ordinating channel, which is the Department of Education, may be the proper medium of communication.

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Yours

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From

K.S. Gangadhara and B.R. Manickam
on deputation in America.
C/o Embassy of India, 2107 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington D.C.

To

The Chief Engineer for Irrigation in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

We submit herewith an application addressed to Government for the enhancement of some allowances sanctioned to us for favour of your kind recommendation. As explained in the application the cost of living here is so high that it is hardly possible to meet our expenditure on the terms sanctioned to us. We have given a comparative statement of the terms sanctioned to us & those sanctioned by the Government of India to the officers of the Road Delegation. The Government of India fixed up their terms after careful consideration and after ascertaining the conditions of living from the Indian Embassy here and from the experiences of the first Delegation.

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We request you kindly to obtain sanction for the enhancement of the allowances as requested in our application for which we shall be highly thankful.

With respects,

Yours Sincerely,
K.S. Gangadhara

Washington D.C.
30th April 1947.
18. May 1947.

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for favourable Consideration of the increase in rate of allowances
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Bdy 18.5.47

for Chief Engineer & Secretary to Government
Chief Engineer & Secretary

Washington, D. C.
May 1, 1947

FROM:

K. S. Gangadhara and B. R. Manickam
on deputation in U. S. A.

TO:

The Secretary to Government of Mysore
Public Works Department
Bangalore

THROUGH:

The Chief Engineer for irrigation
in Mysore, Bangalore

Sir:

We have the honour to invite your kind reference to (number 3582-5 Est. 28-46-8 dated 7th Dec. 1946 sanctioning [illegible] deputation.

After having been in the States for a period of two months and travelled in northern and southern portions, we find that the standard and cost of living are very high. The daily allowance sanctioned is inadequate, as a major portion of it goes towards meeting the high room rent in hotels, the balance left being hardly enough to meet the other expenses. There is general increase in wages all over, due to rise in cost of living, and after we came here there has been an increase of about 20% to 30% in room rent of hotels. As there is very heavy demand on hotel accommodation and as we have to travel from place to place we have to necessarily get hotel reservations made through the authorities whose works we visit and they usually get the same booked in standard hotels. To think of changing to a cheaper hotel, besides being awkward, would almost be impossible in view of the shortage of accommodation.

Hotel accommodation in this country is much costlier than and quite different from dormitories, under the control of the universities where students live, and apartments which can be had on monthly basis at much lower rent by those who stay in any one place for a long time.

The Government of India after ascertaining all the details re the conditions of living, through the Embassy have now sanctioned the following terms to the officers of the second Road Delegation, who are now in America and the same terms are sanctioned by the Government of Mysore to the two engineers deputed with the Road Delegation.

Terms Sanctioned for The Engineers of the Road Delegation	Terms Sanctioned For Us
1) Salary	1) Salary
2) Additional pay Rs. 150/- for those drawing salaries below Rs. 1000/-	10) Separation allowance Rs. 100/- per month.
3) Outfit allowance Rs. 400/-	4) Equipment allowance of Rs. 1000/- to be recovered

4) Air passage from India to the U.S.A. and air or sea passage from U.S.A. to India	5) Air or sea passage
5) The period of deputation to be treated as being on duty.	3) The period of deputation to be treated as being on duty
6) Travelling within India as per rules of M.S.R.	7) Travelling within India as per rules of M.S.R.
7) D.A. in U.S.A. at $10 per day excluding bed and breakfast. (This is since changed to $11 per day plus bed, that is, room rent up to a maximum of $7 per day, as the Embassy found it difficult to secure proper accommodation.	2) Daily allowance at $12 per day. (This is inclusive of ed and breakfast.
8) High price allowance as admissible in India.	Same

From the above particulars it is seen that the separation allowance paid to us through the American Express Co. is only Rs. 100/- as against Rs. 150/- allowed to the Road Engineers. The equipment allowance granted to us is recoverable, whereas, it is not so in the case of the Road Engineers. We had to equip ourselves heavily and spend much more than the grant given on pur chasing woolen suits, woolen underwear, heavy woolen overcoat, rubber boots, etc., to face the unprecedented cold weather in which we travelled. The period of journey of the Road Delegation is in spring weather not requiring such heavy equipment.

As regards daily allowance the officers of the Road Delegation are entitled to get $11 plus room rent not exceeding $7 per day, which amounts to $18 per day. In addition, they are paid for the local conveyance charges out of contingencies, whereas we have to meet the same out of our daily allowance.

The Road Delegation have the decided advantage of every arrangement being made in advance, by the Government of India and the Indian Embassy in America. Want of knowledge of the local conditions, which necessarily involves difficulties and expenditure, does not, therefore, affect the road delegation as much as it does in our case, as they move in groups and as the U. S. Highway Department has drawn up a clear and definite programme for them. On the other hand, we have to work our way through by seeing the authorities concerned, more often than once, to draw up our itinorary or to arrange for our inspection of works, which necessitates our maintaining proper standard, involving heavy expenses towards conveyance and incidental charges. Further the U. S. Government having not sanctioned the special funds during this year, the Bureau of Reclamation have withdrawn the facilities which they were hitherto affording to Engineer visitors and this, therefore, puts us into heavy expense in several ways. It may not be out of place to mention here that curtesy demands that we have to give or return treats to a few officers with whom we come into close contact and who take us round their works and afford us facilities for collecting information and technical data, and this again means additional expenditure.

In the light of the above facts, we pray for the following:

In the light of the above facts we pray for the following:

1) to increase our separation allowance or additional pay from Rs. 100/- to Rs. 150/- per month.

2) to treat the sum of Rs. 1000/- sanctioned towards equipment allowance as a free grant not recoverable.

3) to treat the daily allowance of $12 per day exclusive of bed and to allow actual charges towards bed up to a maximum of $7 per day, as in the case of the Road Engineers.

We request that sanction of Government may kindly be obtained to the above terms, to enable us to meet our expenses in this country and successfully complete our deputation without much hardship.

We have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servants,

M. S. Gangadharan

B. K. Manickam

1/5/47

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PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT.

Draft for Approval.

No. 1903-4/Est/28-46-38.

Dated 11-8-47

Encl.

FROM

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

To

The Chief Engineer for Irrigation, Bangalore

Subject

Deputation of Messrs K.S. Ganjadhara and B.K. Manickam of M.S.P.

Sir,

With reference to your memo No PC 395 dated 12-5-1945 forwarding the letter dated 1-5-1947 of Messrs K.S. Ganjadhara and B.K. Manickam, now in deputation in U.S.A., regarding enhancement of the allowances sanctioned to them, I am directed to state that Govt. after due consideration, feel

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that the Officers have been
shown the maximum concession
and that the grant of any
further concessions
~~cannot be granted~~. would create inconvenient
precedents.

Regarding the additional sum
of $ 1000/- asked for, for the
purchase of books, I am to state
that it is not necessary as the
sum of Rs 200/- already sanctioned
is considered to be quite enough.

Govt are also not in favour
of the purchase of a camera as required
by the Registrar/Asst.

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Secy to Govt
P&W Dept

Copy d/c to Hon. K.S. Gangadharan I/C
Kannikaran for information with reference
to their letter dated 1-5-(47)

Secy to Govt
P&W Dept

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

No. P.W. 1903-4/Est 28-46-38

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Dated Bangalore, 11-8-1947

FROM

The Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.
Public Works Department, Bangalore.

To

The Chief Engineer for Irrigation,

Bangalore.

Deputation of Messrs.K.S.Gangadhara and B.R.Manickam,
to United States of America.

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Sir,

With reference to your Memo No.P.C.895 dated 12th May 1945 forwarding the letters dated 1st May 1947 of Messrs.K.S.Gangadhara and B.R.Manickam, now on deputation in U.S.A. regarding the enhancement of the allowances sanctioned to them, I am directed to state that Government, after due consideration, feel that the officers have been shown the maximum concession and that the grant of any further concessions would create inconvenient precedents.

Regarding the additional sum of $ 1000/- asked for, for the purchase of books, I am to state that it is not necessary as the sum of £200/- already sanctioned is considered to be quite enough.

Government are also not in favour of the purchase of a Camera as required by the deputationists.

I have etc.

Sd) B. S. Nara[illegible]
tary to Government, P.W.D.

Copy of the above is forwarded to Messrs.K.S.Gangadhara and B.R.Manickam, for information, with reference to their letter dated 1st May 1947.

Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

TSRM.